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FOR:

MULTI-BEAM SCANNING DEVICE

AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS USING THE **SCANNING DEVICE**

AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated December 03, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 13, lines 8-15, please delete the paragraph in its entirety and substitute therefor: 1

6 Namely, by adjusting the optical axis of the collimator lens 5 so as to be on substantially the center of a hole 2c formed in the engaging section 2a of the holder 2, the optical axis of the collimator lens 5 can be set so as to be located at the center of the light emitting points la₁ to 1a₄ (i.e., the center between 1a₂ and la₃) of the laser diode array 1. The

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¹ A marked-up copy of the specification is attached hereto.